

9 August 1960

Dear Dan:

On the night of 3 August 1960, several hours' testing were lost because of difficulties encountered in the high voltage power supply contained within an amplifier. The lack of replacement parts necessitates continued operation of the unit on a marginal basis. In order to avoid such circumstances, it would be advisable to have a spare amplifier on hand. Your approval is therefore requested for the purchase of a Hewlett-Packard Model No. 491A Travelling Wave Tube Amplifier. This specific brand must be purchased because of its compatibility with existing equipment. The unit price for this amplifier is approximately \$1,400.

Very truly yours,

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cc: [REDACTED]

*Paul**2/17*  
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